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Acknowledging gifts to the Library,	1,022
Acknowledging gifts to the Museum,	77
Acknowledging photographs and biographies,	7
Requesting the supply of deficiencies in journals,	85
Correspondents' diplomas and notices of election,	2
Letters of sympathy or congratulation and addresses,	9
Miscellaneous letters,	136
Copies of annual reports sent to correspondents,	213
Circular letters,	95
Total forwarded,	1,646

Respectfully submitted,

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*Corresponding Secretary.*

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

Additions to the Library have been received during the year as follows:

Pamphlets and parts of periodicals,	5,790
Volumes,	941
Maps,	157
Photographs,	21
Total,	6,909

They were received from the following sources:

I. V. Williamson Fund.....	2,406	Ministère des Travaux Publics,	
Societies, Museums, etc.....	2,377	France.....	18
Editors.....	640	Comité Géologique Russe.....	16
United States Department of Agriculture.....	438	Imperial Geological Survey, Japan	13
United States Department of the Interior.....	230	United States Treasury Department.....	12
General Appropriation.....	211	Ministerio de Colonizacion y Agricultura, Bolivia.....	11
Authors.....	138	United States War Department....	10
James Aitken Meigs Fund.....	86	Department of Mines, Victoria.....	10
Wilson Fund.....	29	Department of the Interior, Canada.....	9
Pennsylvania State Department of Agriculture.....	25	Department of the Interior, Philippines.....	9
Geological Survey Department, Canada.....	23	Geological Survey of India.....	9
United States Department of Commerce and Labor.....	20	Ministerio de Fomento, Peru.....	8
		Trustees of British Museum.....	8

Department of Agriculture in India.....	8	Missouri Bureau of Geology and Mines.....	2
United States Bureau of Fisheries	7	Department of Mines, New South Wales.....	2
International Bureau American Republics.....	7	Dr H. A. Pilsbry.....	2
Department of Agriculture, Jamaica.....	7	Commissioners of Fisheries and Game, Massachusetts.....	2
Cape of Good Hope, Department of Agriculture.....	7	Dr. E. J. Nolan.....	2
Commission Géologique de Finlande.....	6	New Zealand Geological Survey....	2
Department van Landbouw, Java	6	Library of Congress.....	1
Western Australia Geological Survey.....	6	Board of Agriculture and Forestry, Hawaii.....	1
Facultad de Agronomia y Veterinaria, La Plata.....	5	South African Government.....	1
Maryland Geological Survey.....	5	Department of Marine and Fisheries, Canada.....	1
Observatoire Centrale Nicholas....	5	Arthur Dransfield.....	1
United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.....	4	Bentham Trustees, Kew Gardens.	1
Dr. Thomas Biddle.....	4	New Zealand Government.....	1
Publication Committee Academy Connecticut Geological and Natural History Survey.....	4	Iowa Geological Survey.....	1
Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey.....	4	Witmer Stone.....	1
Commission de la Belgica.....	4	Kommission zur Wissenschaftliche Untersuchungen der Deutschen See in Kiel.....	1
Bureau of American Ethnology....	3	Francis R. Abbot.....	1
Biuroului Geologicu, Roumania....	3	Department of Mines, Nova Scotia.....	1
Geological Commission, Cape of Good Hope.....	3	Forestry Commissioner of Minnesota.....	1
Geological Survey of New Jersey.	2	Geological Survey of Natal and Zululand.....	1
Agricultural College Survey of North Dakota.....	2	Board of Scientific Advice for India.....	1
Dr. S. Solis-Cohen.....	2	Secretaria de Agricultura, Cuba....	1
Department of Fisheries, New South Wales.....	2	Geological Survey of Alabama.....	1
Pennsylvania Department of Fisheries.....	2	Louisiana Geological Survey.....	1
Instituto Geologico de Mexico.....	2	East Indian Government.....	1
Illinois Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	Ministerio de Agricultura, Buenos Aires.....	1
Trustees of the Indian Museum....	2	P. Caledon Cameron.....	1
		Department of Geology and Natural Resources, Indiana.....	1
		Dr. Henry Skinner.....	1

They were distributed to the several departments of the Library as follows:

Journals.....	5,132	Geography.....	138
Agriculture.....	455	General Natural History.....	121
Geology.....	330	Voyages and Travels.....	78
Botany.....	230	Entomology .....	77

Ornithology.....	55	Bibliography.....	15
Anatomy and Physiology.....	38	Chemistry.....	14
Mammalogy.....	37	Physical Science.....	11
Helminthology.....	33	Mineralogy.....	9
Conchology.....	32	Mathematics.....	6
Ichthyology.....	24	Herpetology.....	5
Medicine.....	23	Unclassified.....	25
Anthropology.....	21		

Two thousand and twenty volumes have been bound during the year, making a notable improvement, especially in the department of journals and periodicals. The shelf list in this department has been completed and will be of use, not only in taking stock, but in any rearrangement of the volumes which may be hereafter necessary. The general card catalogue has of course been kept up to date. In connection with the preparation of work for the binders constant effort is made to secure supplies of deficiencies, in many cases with gratifying success.

The necessity for more room becomes every day more urgent. The growth of certain departments has heretofore been provided for by encroachment on the study rooms. This has been so manifestly to the inconvenience of those occupying the rooms that some of these books have been removed to shelving placed above the cases. These shelves have to be reached by ladders, and the arrangement is only tolerable as a temporary relief from crowding. It is believed that ample provision for at least storing accessions will be provided in the proposed new building, a large part of which will be designed for the erection of tiers of stacks.

The proofs of the Union List of periodicals in the libraries of Philadelphia have been read, and the work will be issued early in March under the auspices of the Free Library. It will be of the first importance in co-operative work.

It is gratifying to know that the present arrangement of the Library was warmly commended by the members of the International Congress of Zoologists, who were entertained here last September.

The Librarian read a paper on the use of books on Natural History at the Conference of the American Library Association, held at Asheville in May. The paper has been published in the first volume of the *Bulletin* of the Association.

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